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Medical College (Thanjavur)

* 662 Q.—SRI A. VEDARATHNAM : கனம் ரெவின்யூ அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவு செய்து கீழ்க்கண்ட கேள்விகளுக்குப் பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) தஞ்சை மருத்துவக் கல்லூரிக் கட்டிட வேலை இப்போது எந்த நிலையில் இருக்கிறது ?

(இ) காலதாமதத்திற்குக் காரணம் என்ன ?

(உ) இதைத் தவிர்க்க என்ன முயற்சி எடுத்துக் கொள்ளப் பட்டது ?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (அ) The first set of buildings required for starting the Medical College at Thanjavur are expected to be ready by July 1961.

( ) The delay is due to the diversion of high-tension lines which were running across the site.

(இ) The high-tension lines have since been diverted by the Electricity Board, and the building work is now in full swing.

SRI A. VEDARATHNAM: இந்தக் கட்டிடத்திற்கு ஆகும் மொத்தச் செலவு எவ்வளவு ? அதன் வேலை எப்பொழுது துவக்கப் பட்டது ? அதெல்லாம் பூர்த்தி ஆவதற்கு எவ்வளவு காலம் ஆகும் ? அது எப்பொழுது பூர்த்தி ஆகும் ?

9 a.m. THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : I think the total estimated cost is about Rs. 1 crore and 30 or 35 lakhs. Now, we hope that by July certain blocks of buildings will be available for starting classes. I hope the completion of the entire building may be over in a year and a half.

Prisoners (facilities)

* 663 Q.—SRI N. MARUDACHALAM (on behalf of SRI V. K. KOTHANDARAMAN) : கனம் உள்துறை அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவு செய்து கீழ்க்கண்ட கேள்விகளுக்குப் பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) நமது ராஜ்யத்திலுள்ள சிறைக் கைதிகளுக்குப் பீடி, சிகரேட் முதலியவைகள் பிடிக்க அனுமதிக்கப்பட்டுள்ளதா ?

(இ) எப்போது முதல் ?

(உ) சர்க்கார் செலவில் கொடுக்கப்படுகிறதா அல்லது கைதிகளின் சொந்தச் செலவிலா ?

(எ) சர்க்கார் செலவில் என்றால் எந்த அளவு கொடுக்கப்படுகிறது ?

(ஐ) பீடி, சிகரேட்டு தவிர வேறு என்னென்ன கொடுக்கப் படுகிறது ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) From 1956.

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(c) The prisoners are allowed to obtain tobacco at their own cost and also from their friends and relatives. Tobacco is given to certain prisoners at Government cost also on certain occasions.

(d) Prisoners working in the Textile Factory of the Central Jail, Coimbatore, and in the Carpentry and Handloom Weaving Sections in the Central Jail, Vellore, are allowed 1/6 oz. of tobacco per head per day as an incentive to better work. Prisoners from the Central Jail, Madras, who are employed in the Government Bus Service Depot and whose outturn of work comes up to the prescribed standard are given one anna worth of tobacco or betel daily.

(e) Prisoners are allowed to use soap, hair oil and unction oil and tooth powder at their own cost. Condemned prisoners are allowed at their request betelnuts, and tobacco in the form of cigarettes, beedies and snuff provided there is no medical objection.

Maniamkaram and Thiruppuvaram

* 664 Q.—SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have considered the Damodaran Asan Committee Report on on Maniamkaram and Thiruppuvaram and have taken any decisions on the recommendations of that Committee which was set up by the former Travancore-Cochin Government;

(b) whether the Kerala Government have written to the Madras Government on the question of abolition of Maniamkaram and Thiruppuvaram in 1957 and 1958; if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have considered the Bills for abolition of Maniamkaram brought before the Kerala Assembly; and

(d) the total arrears of Maniamkaram and Thiruppuvaram up to date to be realized from the Kanyakumari district?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU: (a) The question of abolishing "Maniamkaram" is engaging the attention of the Government. In that connection, all papers connected with "Maniamkaram" including the report of the Damodaran Asan Committee, are being perused.

(b) Regarding the rent due to Sri Padmanabhaswami temple on Sri Pandaravagai lands, certain proposals were received from the Kerala Government in December 1956. They were examined by this Government and the proposals of this Government have been communicated to the Kerala Government and they have been requested to state their decision and the decision of the temple authorities thereon. The Kerala Government's reply has not yet been received. The question of abolishing Thiruppuvaram is under the consideration of this Government.

(c) The Kerala Government have stated that no Bills for the abolition of Maniamkaram have been brought before the Kerala Assembly.